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## AFRL Rome awards \$49.9M contract for CSP

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ROME, N.Y. — The Air Force Research Laboratory's Information Directorate has awarded an estimated \$49.9 million contract to Logicon/Sterling Federal, a Northrop Grumman company of Bellevue, Neb., to provide for the communication support processor (CSP).

CSP is used throughout the Department of Defense and other federal organizations to process organizational message across multiple security domains. It is used as a front-end processor by intelligence mission application for organizational messages sent and received over dedicated government secure network.

"The four-year cost-plus-fixed-fee term contract will provide technical support to the CSP system and its users, including the set-up of new installations, development and implementation of system upgrades, software enhancements and software fixes," said Ernst K. Walge, program manager in the directorate's Information and Intelligence Information Division. "The work is a follow-on to a \$49.6 million contract awarded to the then Sterling Software Inc. in 1997. At that time, the program was known as the Communications Systems Support for C4I (CSSC)." @

